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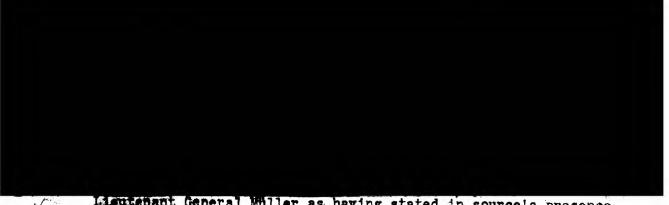
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that the following reasons were instrumental in Müller's removal from the German Administration of the Interior where he had held the position of Chief of Staff of the Hauptabteilung Grenzpolizei und Bereitschaften (border and paramilitary police branch). In his position as Chief of Staff he had been expected to discharge training assignments of a nature for which by virtue of his military background, he had found himself entirely unsuited. In the old German Reichswehr he had been one of General Schleicher's assistants, entrusted with the performance of political tasks. Later on he had served as a General Staff officer. He knew absolutely nothing about machine guns or, for that matter, about any other infantry weapon, let alone about infantry tactics. The drawing up of organization and training plans would consequently have found him out of his depth. He had therefore decided to engage in political party work rather than retaining his position in the GAI. His parting of the ways with Fischer, the president of the German Administration of the Interior, was amicable.

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Comment: Muller clearly implied that the function of propagating the National Front is one which the SED instructed the NDP to undertake and that the SED will remain in control.

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